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SUBJECT: ARGENTINA LIKELY TO SUPPORT USG ON NO-ACTION  
MOTIONS AND COUNTRY-SPECIFIC RESOLUTIONS

REF: A. SECSTATE 145641 B. STATE 136426

Classified By: AMBASSADOR E. ANTHONY WAYNE FOR REASONS 1.4 (B) AND (D)

¶1. (C) In response to Embassy demarches that relayed points in reftel A, Argentina's Acting Director for International Organizations Manuel Fernandez Salorio told poloff that the GOA will likely support the USG on no-action motions and country-specific resolutions at the United Nations Third Committee, "barring unspecified surprises or drastic alterations to texts of country-specific resolutions." Emphasizing Argentina's strong support of human rights and the need for open, frank dialogue, Minister Salorio noted that Argentina typically concurs with the U.S. position on no-action motions. He indicated that the GOA's voting patterns will likely mirror its votes on the same issues during the 2006 Third Committee session, with the GOA supporting the resolution against the DPRK, Burma, Iran and Belarus, and voting against no-action motions.

¶2. (SBU) Salorio speculated that the GOA would support and consider co-sponsorship of the U.S. resolution against state-sanctioned rape (reftel B), but commented that the resolution is being studied by the MFA's Offices of Human Rights and Women's Affairs.

¶3. (SBU) Salorio was less familiar with the resolution to support the UN Elections Program. Poloff shared the provided background, after which Salorio agreed to further research the topic. Post will follow up with Salorio and provide GOA response as available.

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